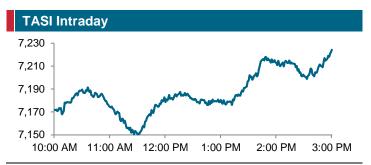
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Source: Reuters

Saudi Stock Indices						
Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)	
Saudi (TASI)	7,224	0.7	-0.1	0.0	16.9	
Saudi (NOMU)	3,050	-1.6	-4.4	-2.9	NA	
Energy	4,257	0.0	-0.4	-0.5	15.1	
Materials	5,042	0.2	0.0	-0.2	20.7	
Capital Goods	4,299	-0.6	-0.5	-1.0	14.8	
Com. & Prof. Svc	4,174	0.0	-0.5	-0.8	16.8	
Transportation	4,046	1.2	0.8	0.9	15.6	
Cons. Durables & Apparel	4,079	-0.6	-1.2	-1.5	NA	
Consumer Services	3,706	1.3	0.3	0.6	11.9	
Media	7,763	0.1	-0.7	0.3	NA	
Retailing	5,615	0.2	-0.8	-0.3	18.4	
Food & Staples Retailing	5,532	-0.2	-2.0	-1.4	24.5	
Food & Beverages	4,824	-0.5	-1.3	-1.5	NA	
Health Care Equipment	4,478	0.7	0.6	0.8	24.1	
Pharma, Biotech & Life Science	4,156	2.3	5.2	4.7	10.3	
Banks	5,620	1.9	2.6	2.1	11.5	
Diversified Financials	3,938	0.3	-1.9	-2.3	NA	
Insurance	4,686	0.2	-1.3	-0.8	16.8	
Telecommunication	4,270	0.0	0.0	0.4	14.0	
Utilities	4,494	0.8	-1.5	-1.5	8.8	
REITs	4,589	0.0	-0.9	-0.9	NA	
Real Estate	4,412	-0.7	-8.4	-6.1	NA	

Sources: Bloomberg, Reuters, Tadawul

Top 5 Gainers

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
Banque Saudi Fransi	29.81	3.0%	4.4
Makkah Construction & Development Co.	74.63	3.0%	58.1
National Commercial Bank	56.79	2.9%	24.1
United International Transportation Co.	27.10	2.6%	8.8
Batic Investments and Logistics Co.	57.20	2.5%	18.2

Upcoming General Assembly Meetings

Company	Proposed Date
Lazurde Company for Jewelry	8-Jan-18
Taiba Holding Co.	8-Jan-18
Bank Albilad	9-Jan-18
SABB Takaful Co.	9-Jan-18
AlJazira Mawten REIT Fund	10-Jan-18
Batic Investments and Logistics Co.	14-Jan-18
Source: Tadawul	

NOTES: (1) Prices as of last trade. Updated as of January 4, 2018

(2) WTD: Week to Date and YTD: Year to Date

Saudi Market Update

- The TASI gained 0.7% to close at 7,224 on Wednesday. The NOMU closed 1.6% lower at 3,050. TASI traded value totaled SAR 4.4bn and averaged SAR 4.1bn over the last 30 days. The five most active stocks (by value) in TASI accounted for 69.7% of the daily traded
- Banks and Materials closed 1.9% and 0.2% higher respectively. Telecom ended flat. Pharma, Biotech & Life Science (up 2.3%) was the best performer. Among stocks, Banque Saudi Fransi (1050/BSFR AB), Makkah Construction & Development Co. (4100/MCDCO AB), and National Commercial Bank (1180/NCB AB) led gainers.
- The General Authority for Statistics revealed more than 94,000 foreign workers left the country in 3Q17. The authority also revealed 10.6mn expatriates were working in the public and private sectors in 3Q17 compared with 10.8mn in 2Q17. (Source: Arabian Business)
- Saudi Arabia signed an agreement with Cyprus to avoid double taxation on income and to prevent tax evasion. The two countries also signed a memorandum of understanding to boost political consultations between Ministries of Foreign Affairs. (Source: Zawya)
- The Saudi Stock Exchange (Tadawul) revealed Saudi companies and investment funds remained net buyers of stocks for the second consecutive year in 2017. The value of stocks purchased by investment funds declined 42% Y/Y to SAR 29bn (USD 7.7bn) in 2017 from SAR 50bn (USD 13.3bn). (Source: Argaam)
- The Passport General Department stated on its Twitter account it would levy a fine of up to SAR 50,000 on expatriates who own and operate private business illegally across the country. (Source: Argaam)
- The General Authority for Zakat and Income Tax revealed the VAT will not be levied on all finance lease contracts or lease contracts expired by acquisition and concluded before January 1, 2018. (Source: Zawya)
- Almarai Co. (2280/ALMARAI AB) would receive a USD 150mn (SAR 563mn) Islamic loan from the International Finance Corporation to boost investments in Egypt. (Source: Mubasher)
- According to Saudi Paper Manufacturing Co.'s (2300/SPM AB) statement to Tadawul, the Saudi Industrial Development Fund approved the rescheduling of one of SPM's SAR 37mn (USD 9.9mn) loans. (Source: Mubasher)

Top 5 Losers Value Last Company % Change (SAR Close mn) Dar Alarkan Real Estate Development Co. 10.69 -8.9% 1,184.1 United Electronics Co. 47.98 -3.0% 13.7 Savola Group 38.13 -2.8% 19.5 Al Sorayai Trading and Industrial Group Co. 12.42 -2.6% 6.9 Abdullah A. M. Al-Khodari Sons Co. 8.94 -2.4% 22.4

Most Active Stocks by Value (SAR mn)						
Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)			
Dar Alarkan Real Estate Development Co.	10.69	-8.9%	1,184			
Saudi Basic Industries Corp.	101.50	0.5%	753			
Alinma Bank	19.35	1.3%	634			
Al Rajhi Bank	65.94	2.0%	261			
Saudi Kayan Petrochemical Co.	11.04	0.5%	253			

Source: Tadawul

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GCC Stock Indices						
Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)	
Dubai (DFM)	3,459	1.4	2.6	2.6	NA	
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	4,481	0.9	1.9	1.9	16.0	
Kuwait (KSE)	6,401	1.4	-0.1	-0.1	15.4	
Qatar (QE)	8,608	-0.1	1.0	1.0	13.9	
Oman (MSM)	5,089	-0.1	0.8	-0.2	12.3	
Bahrain (BSE)	1,325	0.3	1.5	-0.5	7.8	
DJMENA Index	528	0.7	0.8	0.8	NA	

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

Global Stock Indices						
Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)	
US (S&P 500)	2,713	0.6	1.5	1.5	22.8	
US (NASDAQ 100)	7,066	0.8	2.3	2.3	23.8	
UK (FTSE 100)	7,671	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	22.9	
Germany (DAX)	12,978	0.8	0.5	0.0	19.1	
France (CAC 40)	5,331	0.8	0.4	0.4	18.3	
Russia (MICEX)	2,153	2.0	2.0	2.4	7.3	
Japan (Nikkei)	22,765	-0.1	-0.6	18.9	20.0	
Hong Kong (HSI)	30,561	0.1	2.1	2.1	14.3	
South Korea (KOSPI)	2,486	0.3	0.8	0.8	10.4	
China (SHCOMP)	3,369	0.6	1.9	1.9	17.1	
India (NIFTY)	10,443	0.0	-0.8	-0.8	23.6	
Brazil (IBOV)	77,995	0.1	2.1	2.1	19.3	
Turkey (BIST 100)	1,16,052	-1.3	0.6	0.6	10.1	
Egypt (EGX30)	14,834	-1.3	-1.2	-1.2	9.3	
MSCI Emerging Markets	1,184	0.5	2.2	2.2	16.1	
MSCI World	2,126	0.5	1.1	1.1	21.7	

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

Commodities Prices					
Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	1 Year %
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	67.8	1.9	1.5	1.5	22.3
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	3.0	-1.6	1.9	1.9	-14.7
Gold (\$/oz)	1,313	-0.3	0.8	0.8	13.3
Silver (\$/oz)	17.1	-0.3	1.1	1.1	5.1
Platinum (\$/oz)	957	1.3	2.9	2.9	2.2
Copper (\$/t)	7,101	-0.8	-1.5	-1.5	29.4
Zinc (\$/t)	3,347	-0.8	0.3	0.3	33.7
Lead (\$/mt)	2,580	1.4	3.4	3.4	28.6
Wheat (\$/bu)	436	0.6	2.1	2.1	-8.0
Corn (\$/bu)	353	-0.1	0.6	0.6	-10.0
Sugar (\$/lb)	15.3	-0.1	1.0	1.0	-19.2

Source: Bloomberg

Interest Rate Watch (3M Interbank Offer Rate, %)							
Country	Last Close	1 Day Change	YTD Change	Spread*			
US	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Saudi Arabia	1.90	0.00	0.00	0.20			
UAE	1.84	-0.01	0.04	0.14			
Kuwait	1.88	0.00	0.00	0.18			
Qatar	2.63	0.00	-0.02	0.93			
Bahrain	2.73	0.00	0.00	1.03			

Source: Reuters

NOTES: (1) Prices updated as of January 4, 2018 (2) WTD: Week to Date; YTD: Year to Date; NA: Not Applicable, *Spread = US 3M Rate - Country 3M Rate

GCC & Global Markets Update

- US markets ended in green on Wednesday. The S&P 500 and NASDAQ gained 0.6% and 0.8% respectively. Dow Jones Industrial ended 0.4% higher. In Europe, the UK closed 0.3% higher while Germany and France both gained 0.8%.
- Asian markets are trading mixed on Thursday. China and Japan are up by 0.4% and 2.6% respectively. South Korea is down by 0.5% while Hong Kong is up by 0.5%. India is trading 0.1% higher.
- GCC markets ended mixed on Wednesday. Dubai and Abu Dhabi gained 1.4% and 0.9% respectively. Kuwait ended 1.4% higher while Qatar ended 0.1% lower. Oman closed 0.1% lower while Bahrain closed 0.3% higher.
- US ISM Manufacturing Index for the month of December 2017 stood at 59.7 (prior: 58.2, consensus: 58.1). (Source: Econoday)
- The Member of the Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah approved the 2018 UAE budget with total expenses of AED 22.1bn (USD 6bn), 6% higher than that for 2017. The budget would witness increased spending on public safety and capital improvement projects. (Source: Gulf Base)
- According to the Japanese Agency for Natural Resources and Energy, Kuwait's crude oil exports to Japan increased to 7.2mn barrels in November 2017, which equates to 239,000 barrels per day (bpd). (Source: Mubasher)
- Bahrain's Ministry of Finance announced it would implement VAT in 2018, in compliance with a GCC commitment. The government would take the necessary measures in cooperation with the legislative authority to enforce VAT levy. (Source: Zawya)
- According to a Partner at EY Oman, the amendments to the Oman Income Tax Law would generate an additional OMR 100mn (USD 260mn) in revenues to the government in 2018. (Source: Zawya)
- According to the Director of business development at the Dubai Gold and Commodities Exchange (DGCX), DGCX would enter the Islamic finance sector and seeks to launch the Shariah Spot Gold contract as soon as possible. (Source: Zawya)
- Dubai Duty Free announced its annual sales for 2017 increased 5.6% Y/Y to USD 1.9bn (AED 7.1bn). December witnessed a new monthly sales record with total sales of over USD 219mn (AED 804mn). (Source: Arabian Business)
- Kuwait is planning a new sewage treatment project for which a contract would be signed between the PPP Authority and the winning consortium led by Germany's Wassertechnik GmbH at a total cost of KWD 1.1bn (USD 3.6bn). (Source: Zawya)
- News agency WAM reported UAE-based RAK Gas launched the first round of its oil and gas licensing in London and the Northern Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah. (Source: Trade Arabia)
- Gulf Navigation Holding (GULFNAV UH) revealed it would raise AED 448mn (USD 122mn) in 1Q18. The capital increase would support the company's expansion plans. (Source: Mubasher)

Coming Up

- US jobless claims for the week ended December 30 (prior: 245K; consensus: 240K) will be announced today. (Source: Econoday)
- US EIA Petroleum status report on weekly change in crude oil inventories for the week ended December 29 (prior: -4.6mn barrels) will be announced today. (Source: Econoday)
- Change in China's CPI for the month of December 2017 (prior: 0.0% M/M, consensus: 1.7% Y/Y) will be announced on January 8, 2018.
 (Source: Econoday)

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